DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season, tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity, number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

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BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

	Average for the past five years of the corresponding week.	*Current.*	
Prices of food grains—Rice ...	7·4	5½ to 5¾	seers per rupee.
Ragi ...	17·9	10 to 11	

Agricultural operations.—Ragi thrashing.

Outturn of harvests.—Ragi, yield 4 annas.

Cattle are in good condition. Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Manuring of fields in the Channapatna Taluk and thrashing of ragi in the taluks of Anekal and Dodballapur and in Closepet, are going on.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane is in moderate condition in the taluks of Nelamangala, Kankanhalli and Devanhalli and in parts of Dodballapur, and is withering in the taluks of Magadi and Anekal and in parts of Dodballapur.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane seeds are being sown in parts of the Bangalore and Devanhalli Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane is being thrashed in the Anekal and Dodballapur Taluks and in Closepet.

Outturn of harvests.—It is reported that the outturn of paddy is on an average 9 annas in parts of Hoskote, 8 annas in Dodballapur and 3 annas in the Closepet Sub-Taluk; that of sugar-cane is 8 annas in the Nelamangala Taluk; and that of ragi is 5 annas in parts of Hoskote and Dodballapur, 8 annas in the Devanhalli Taluk and 9 annas in the Closepet Sub-Taluk.

Damage to crops.—Kadle crop is reported to have been damaged by insects in the Magadi Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season are reported to be moderately good throughout the district. Food stuffs are available, but their prices are high.

Number of people under relief.—One hundred and twenty-six coolies are employed on tank works in the Hoskote Taluk; 256 in the Dodballapur Taluk; 223 in the Nelamangala Taluk; 10 in the Magadi Taluk and 224 in the Devanhalli Taluk; 91 persons are in receipt of gratuitous relief (grain dole) in the Dodballapur Taluk and 15 in the Magadi Taluk.

11. Public health generally good. But cholera in Manjehalli, Dodballapur Taluk, plague in parts of the Dodballapur, Bangalore and Magadi Taluks, and small-pox in Closepet town, are prevailing.

12. Cattle are reported to be healthy. but "Dod Roga" and "Sappe Roga" in parts of Channapatna, "Neradi Roga" in parts of Anekal, and "Dod Roga" in parts of the Closepet Sub-Taluk, are still prevailing. Water and fodder are available for the present. But well water is being used in parts of the Magadi, Channapatna and Anekal Taluks and in the Closepet Sub-Taluk.

KOLAR.

8. Market moderately supplied.

9. *Standing crops* under *Kapile* wells are reported to be in fairly good condition.

Crop sown.—Sugar-cane in Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Bagepalli, Srinivaspur and Gudibanda.

Crops harvested.—Horse gram in Bowringpet, Bagepalli and Gudibanda; ragi in Kolar Srinivaspur and Gudibanda; and sugar-cane in almost all the taluks of the district.

Outturn of harvests.—

Horse gram in Bowringpet—Yield from 2 to 4 annas.
„ Bagepalli— Do
„ Gudibanda— Do 2 annas.
Ragi in Kolar—Yield from 2 to 8 annas.
„ Srinivaspur—Yield from 1 to 4 annas.
„ Gudibanda—Yield from 2 to 8 annas.
Sugar-cane throughout the District.—Yield from 4 to 12 annas.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. Food stuffs are available; but their prices continue to be very high.

Demand for labour, etc.—Report is the same as in last week.

11. Except for plague in Kyalanur village, Kolar Taluk, and in parts of the Malur Taluk, and small-pox in parts of the Mulbagal Taluk, public health generally good.

12. It is reported that "Rinderpest" is still prevailing in parts of the Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta and Bagepalli Taluks and in the Gudibanda Sub-Taluk. Water and fodder sufficient for the present. Temporary wells have been sunk in parts of the Goribidnur and Srinivaspur Taluks and in Chikballapur town to tide over the difficulty for water.

TUMKUR.

8. Supply in market moderate.

9. *Standing crops.*—Crops under wells in the Maddagiri, Sira and Pavagada Taluks, and cholum and Bengal gram in the Chiknayakanhalli, and Gubbi Taluks and in the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks, are reported to be in moderately good condition. Bengal gram in tank beds in Sira, cholum in Tiptur and sugar-cane in Tumkur and Kunigal and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk, are withering.

Crops sown.—Paddy in the Maddagiri and Sira Taluks.

Crops harvested.—Sugar-cane in the Tumkur, Maddagiri and Kunigal Taluks and the Koratagere and Turuvekere Sub-Taluks; Bengal gram in the Tiptur Taluk; Paddy, castor, and horse gram in the Pavagada Taluk; and togari and avare in the Koratagere Sub-Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season not satisfactory. The report regarding distress in the district in the same as in the last week. Food stuffs are available but their prices are high.

11. Except for plague in the villages of Gulur and Gule Haravi in the Tumkur Taluk, small-pox in certain villages of the Maddagiri, Chiknayakanhalli and Tiptur Taluks and cholera in the village of Venkatapur in the Pavagada Taluk, public health generally good.

12. Report regarding the health of cattle, the procurability, etc., of water and fodder is the same as in the last week. Some cattle that had been taken to forests for grazing from Tiptur Taluk and the Turuvekere Sub-Taluk have returned to their homes.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Lands in all parts of the district are being ploughed and made ready for sowing kar seeds.

Standing crops.—These are reported to be in fair condition in all the taluks, except in parts of the Mysore and Mandya Taluks, where they are withering for want of rain. Condition of Bengal gram in parts of the Nanjangud and Nagamangala Taluks is reported to be not good.

Crops harvested.—Paddy in parts of the Nanjangud and Malvalli Taluks, Bengal gram in parts of the Heggaddevankote Taluk, ragi is being thrashed in parts of the Malvalli and Heggaddevankote Taluks.

Estimated outturn of crops.—

Paddy and ragi in the Malvalli Taluk—yield 8 annas each.

10. Prospects of the season indifferent in some parts and not good in others. Food stuffs are available with raiyats and merchants, but their prices are still high.

Number of people under relief.—Eighty-two individuals in the Krishnarajpete Taluk, 29 in the T.-Narsipur Taluk, 2 in the Mandya Taluk and 554 in the Nagamangala Taluk are reported to be under gratuitous relief. Tank works and District Fund works in the Nagamangala Taluk have been started to afford relief to the distressed. Tank works in the Mandya Taluk are not attracting many coolies, probably owing to raiyats being engaged in thrashing work in their ragi fields. It is reported that 4 immigrants have come into the Seringapatam Taluk from the Anantapur District and that 6 have come from Vaddanghatta, Turuvekere Sub-Taluk, and that all these are being given casual relief.

11. Except for plague in a few places in the district, public health generally good.

12. "Dod Roga" in parts of the Mysore, Chamrajnagar, Heggaddevankote, Gundlupet and Nanjangud Taluks and "Sappe Roga" in parts of the Mandya and Mysore Taluks are still prevailing among cattle. Fodder is scarce in parts of the Mandya, Krishnarajpete and Nagamangala Taluks. Tanks in parts of the Mandya Taluk are running dry. Temporary wells are being sunk in parts of the Nagamangala, Krishnarajpete and Mandya Taluks, where difficulty for water is being felt. Water is available at present in other places.

HASSAN.

8. Market fairly well supplied, but the prices are high.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Wet lands in the Manjarabad Taluk are being ploughed.

Standing crops.—Sugar-cane in the Hassan Taluk is reported to be withering for want of rain. Condition of crops fair in other taluks as in last week's report. Sugar-cane is reported to be withering for want of moisture in the Channarayapatna Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Kadle in the Hole-Narsipur and Arkalgud Taluks and the Alur Sub-Taluk; sugar-cane in the Belur Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk and avare in the Arkalgud Taluk.

10. Prospects of the season fair except in parts of the Arsikere and Channarayapatna, Hole-Narsipur and Belur Taluks, where they are not encouraging. It is reported that to relieve distress, tank works affording works to the distressed have been started in the Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks

11. Except for plague in parts of the Hassan and Belur Taluks, and measles in Hole-Narsipur Town, public health is generally good.

12. Except for "Dod Roga" prevailing in parts of the Manjarabad, Hole-Narsipur, Arkalgud, Arsikere and Channarayapatna Taluks, cattle are generally in fair condition. Fodder is generally available. Report is the same as in last week regarding the want of fodder in parts of Channarayapatna and Arsikere. Report is the same as in last week as regards water difficulty in parts of the district and the relief measures adopted for overcoming the same.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market moderately supplied.

Standing crops.—White jola, cotton and Bengal gram in the maidan taluks are not in good condition.

9. *Crops planted.*—Sugar-cane is being planted in portions of the Honnali and Shikarpur Taluks and of the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

Crops harvested.—Same as in last week.

Probable outturn of crops:—

Same as in last week.

10. Prospects of the season uncertain. The general condition of the district remains unchanged. Food stuffs are available in the markets but their prices still continue to be high.

11. Public health generally good. But plague is reported to have broken out in the Kohalli village of the Kumsi Sub-Taluk.

12. "Dod Roga" is prevailing among cattle in some of the villages of the Shimoga, Channagiri and Honnali Taluks. Water and fodder are available for the present.

KADUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Agricultural operations.*—Ploughing in Chikmagalur, and Yedahalli and transplanting of Kodi paddy in Mudgere and of kar-paddy and sugar-cane in parts of Kadur are going on.

Standing crops.—

In Chikmagalur—Jola, Bengal gram, wheat, kulthi, fenugreek, coriander, castor, sugar-cane and gingelly.
In Kadur—Wheat, sugar-cane, paddy, Bengal gram and Besigee Jola.
In Tarikere—Cotton, kusumbe, Bengal gram and sugar-cane.
In Koppa—Sugar-cane, pepper, areca and coffee.
In Mudgere—Coffee and areca.
In Yedahalli—Sugar-cane, areca and coffee.
In Sringeri—Nil.

Condition of these is unsatisfactory for want of timely and sufficient rain.

Crops harvested and their yield.—

In Chikmagalur—Avare, kulthi, castor, sugar-cane and coriander, yield from 2 to 4 annas.
In Kadur—Sugar-cane, yield 8 annas; and Bengal gram, yield 4 annas.
In Tarikere—Bengal gram, yield 12 annas.
In Koppa—Areca and coffee „ „
In Mudgere— „ „ 8 „
In Yedahalli, sugar-cane and coffee, yield from 10 to 12 annas.
Areca, yield from 8 to 10 annas.

10. Report received this week as regards the prospects of the season is the same as in last week. Food stuffs are available, but their prices continue to be high.

11. Except for plague in certain villages of the Kadur and Tarikere Taluks, public health generally good.

12. Cattle generally healthy. Water and fodder are available in the malnad parts; but difficulty is felt in procuring them in the maidan portions of the district.

CHITALDRUG

8. Market well supplied.

9. *Standing crops.*—Such as paddy, wheat, sugar-cane, castor, navane, cotton, Bengal gram and jola, are reported to be withering except those under *kapile* wells and channels which are in fairly good condition.

Crops sown.—Nil.

Crops harvested.—Jola, cotton and Bengal gram in the Holalkere Taluk, yield from 4 to 8 annas.

10. Prospects of the season fair, except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Hosdurga, Jagalur and Davangere Taluks. Food stuffs available. The report this week is the same as in the last week as regards the demand for labour in the affected parts and the works, undertaken to relieve the distress. The following is the number of village works in progress:—Chitaldrug 5; Hiriyur 10; Challakere 7; Hosdurga 11; Harihar 3; and Davangere 4.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy, except in parts of the Chitaldrug and Holalkere Taluks, where Rinderpest is prevailing. Water and fodder available except in parts of the Chitaldrug, Challakere, Hiriyur, Molakalmuru and Hosdurga Taluks. Fodder being insufficient, it is got from other places at very high rates and in other places where it cannot be had, cattle are taken to forests. It is reported that some persons of the Hosdurga Taluk have gone to Tarikere to avail themselves of the concession sanctioned by Government to secure free fodder collected thereby the Forest Department. Water is made available in many places by deepening existing wells and sinking new ones.

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